

CONDUCTING DIPLOMACY IN A GLOBAL AGE

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on Conducting Diplomacy in a Global Age. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Marc Grossman, Director General, Foreign Service and Director, Human Resources; Marshall Adair, President, American Foreign Service Association; and Gary R. Galloway, Vice President, AFGE.

EARTHQUAKE IN INDIA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia held a hearing on the Earthquake in India: the American Response. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Richard F. Celeste, Ambassador to India; Alan W. Eastham, Acting Assistant Secretary, South Asian Affairs; Walter North, Mission Director to India and Leonard M. Rogers, Acting Administrator, Humanitarian Response, both with AID; and public witnesses.

COAST GUARD BRIEFING; COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation received a briefing on Coast Guard expenditures. The Subcommittee was briefed by Capt. Robert J. Papp, Jr., USCG, Chief, Office of Congressional Affairs, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation.

Prior to the briefing, the Subcommittee for organizational purposes.

ECONOMIC GROWTH AND TAX RELIEF ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3, Economic Growth and Tax Relief Act of 2001.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to consider pending business.

Joint Meetings

VETERANS PROGRAMS

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of certain veterans organizations, after receiving testimony from Vincent B. Niski, Retired Enlisted Association, Rachel Clinkscales, Gold Star Wives, Charles L. Calkins, Fleet Reserve Association, and James D. Staton, Air Force Sergeants Association, all of Washington, D.C.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2001

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on the Budget: to continue hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2002, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to continue hearings to examine the role of United States correspondent banking and offshore banks as vehicles for international money laundering, and the efforts of financial entities, federal regulators, and law enforcement to limit money laundering activities within the United States, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

House

Committee on the Budget, hearing on Current Fiscal Issues, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources, hearing on "The Status of Plan Columbia," 9:30 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans Affairs, and International Relations, hearing on "The Defense Security Service: Mission Degradation?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 5 through March 10, 2001

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will begin consideration of S. 420, Bankruptcy Reform.

During the remainder of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: March 6, to hold hearings to examine nutritional issues surrounding school lunch programs, 9 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Armed Services: March 6, to hold closed hearings to examine the issues surrounding worldwide threats, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

Committee on the Budget: March 6, to hold hearings to examine certain revenue proposals within the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2002, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: March 6, Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine the effectiveness of gun locks, 10 a.m., SR-253.

March 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine voting technology reform, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: March 8, business meeting to markup S. 350, to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to promote the cleanup and reuse of brownfields, to provide financial assistance for brownfields revitalization, to enhance State response programs, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: March 7, to hold hearings to examine tax relief for tax payers, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: March 6, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the present political status of the Philippines and its role in the new Asia, 2 p.m., SD-419.

March 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine foreign policy issues and the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of State, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: March 6, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to resume hearings to examine the role of United States correspondent banking and offshore banks as vehicles for international money laundering, and the efforts of financial entities, federal regulators, and law enforcement to limit money laundering activities within the United States, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: March 7, to hold hearings to examine proposed legislation entitled Better Education For Students and Teachers Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Select Committee on Intelligence: March 7, to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH219.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: March 8, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative recommendations of the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Jewish War Veterans, Blinded Veterans Association, the Non-Commissioned Officers Association, and the Military Order of the Purple Heart, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

House Chamber

To be announced.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, March 7 and 8, to continue hearings to review the federal farm commodity programs with the Coalition for a Competitive Food and Agriculture System, on March 7 and with the barley growers on March 8, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

March 7, hearing to review the Farm Credit Administration's proposed rule providing for the issuance of national charters for the Farm Credit System, 2 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, March 8, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies, on FDA, 9:30 a.m., 2362 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Defense, executive, on U.S. Pacific Command and U.S. Forces, Korea, 9:30 a.m., and executive, on U.S. Central Command, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 8, Subcommittee on Interior, on National Parks Services (Natural Resources Initiative), 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Military Construction, on Quality of Life in the Military, 9:30 a.m., B-300 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Transportation, on Inspector General, Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, March 7, hearing on Department of Health and Human Services Budget Priorities Fiscal Year 2002, 10 a.m., and 1:30 p.m., 210 Cannon.

March 8, on Members Day, 1 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, March 7, hearing on "Leave No Child Behind," 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Education Reform, hearing on "Measuring Success: Using Assessments and Accountability to Raise Student Achievement," 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, March 6, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled: "Congressional Perspectives on Electricity Markets in California and the West and National Energy Policy," 1 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 7, Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials, hearing entitled: "A Smarter Partnership: Removing Barriers to Brownfields Cleanups," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 8, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "Technology and Education: A Review of Federal, State and Private Sector Programs," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, March 6, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations and the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, joint hearing entitled "Protecting Consumers: What can Congress do to help financial regulators coordinate efforts to fight fraud?" 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 7, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "Saving Investors Money: Reducing Excessive SEC Fees," 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, March 7, Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans Affairs, and International Relations, hearing on "Vulnerabilities to Waste, Fraud, and Abuse: GAO Views on National Defense and International Relations Programs," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, March 7, to continue consideration of Committee funding requests, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on International Relations, March 7, hearing on Reinvigorating U.S. Foreign Policy, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

March 7, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on State Department Country Reports on Human Rights Practices—Road Map for Budgeting of Democracy and Human Rights Programs of the State Department? 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.